



Response Under 37 CFR 1.116
Expedited Procedure
Examining Group No. 1700

Patent Application
Serial No. 08/716,223
Attorney Docket No.: 702-961170

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1761 :

In re Application of :

G.A. VAN SCHOUWENBURG :

METHOD FOR PREPARING A
COHERENT PIECE OF MEAT FROM
SMALLER PIECES OF MEAT, AND
THE COHERENT PIECE OF MEAT
OBTAINED

Serial No. 08/716,223 :

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
May 2, 2000

Filed November 22, 1996 :

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 2, 2000, Applicant submits
the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1, line 17, replace ", while" with --; and--.

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Invention: "Method for Preparing a Coherent Piece of Meat From Smaller Pieces of Meat, And The Coherent Piece of Meat Obtained"

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

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